



## AUSTRALIAN WALNUT INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

### FEBRUARY FARM WALK/SYMPOSIUM

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2021,

Myrtleford and surrounding areas, VIC. 3630

#### Programme

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

10:00 am Registration:

**ORCHARD WALK** – Venue TBC

12:30 pm Return to Myrtleford

**12.45 pm Lunch – Club Savoy**  
*252-254 Great Alpine Road, Myrtleford*

**1:30 pm Symposium**

**TOPIC: Support nut producers to explore the value of a grower-owned co-op.**

Through Co-operative Farming, the Business Council of Co-operatives and Mutuals (BCCM) proposes to work with nut producers so that they both understand the co-operative model and also explore how it might support growers to work together to build the profit and success of their own businesses.

1:30 pm: **Part 1: Co-ops 101 – Lets nut it out**

This workshop will cover:

- What is a co-operative?
- Why and how are co-operatives different?
  - The differences between co-ops and other business structures (legal structure, co-op principles).
- What it means to be a member of a co-op.
- Case studies of agricultural co-ops (machinery rings, processing, marketing and distribution); and
- The formation process and key requirements.

3:00 pm Afternoon Tea

3:30 pm: **Part 2: Next Steps: Identifying opportunities for co-operation**

After a break, growers will engage in facilitated discussions of what might be possible and explore why they might form a co-op (potential purpose and benefits). This will include breakout into smaller groups (e.g., to consider opportunities by industry) for part of the discussion.

Ideas will be developed and next steps confirmed. During this process technical questions will be answered around the co-op structure and how it can be used to facilitate the ideas generated.

5:00 pm CLOSE

6:30 pm **Symposium Dinner** (Not included in Conference Registration package)

Bastoni Pizzeria  
Great Alpine Rd (Next to Piazza)  
Myrtleford, VIC 3737

Please book ASAP directly with Bastoni  
Tel: 03 57 511 478  
bastoniinfo@gmail.com

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Farm Walk and Symposium - “Soils and more!”**

8:30 am **Soil Pit and on Farm Soils Assessment Tools  
NECMA Acidity & Erosion—Soil Health Perspective**

**Presenter: Darren Cribbes**

Venue: Hall Stanley Orchard, 192 Myrtleford Road, Stanley

11:00 am CLOSE

FEBRUARY SYMPOSIUM AND FARM WALK

REGISTRATION FORM:

Register direct at [www.walnut.net.au](http://www.walnut.net.au) or complete below.

Business Name: .....

Address: .....

.....Postcode: .....

Phone: ..... Fax: .....

Mobile: .....

E-mail: .....

**The workshop for AWIA members is \$66 (Inclusive GST).  
Non Members \$88 (Inclusive GST) per workshop per person  
Does not include the cost of Saturday night Dinner**

AWIA Member YES NO

The following person(s) will be attending the

- a) February Symposium and Farm Walk - Friday: YES NO
- b) FRIDAY DINNER (AT YOUR OWN COST) YES NO
- c) February Farm Walk – Saturday: YES NO

how many seats .....

NAMES:

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**RSVP: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

RETURN FORM TO: Marilla James, AWIA,  
55 Kerferd Street, MALVERN EAST, VIC, 3145  
E-mail: [tco@walnut.net.au](mailto:tco@walnut.net.au)

Signature: ..... Date: .....

**PAYMENT.**

I enclose cheque payable to: Australian Walnut Industry Association Inc, 55 Kerferd Street, MALVERN EAST, VIC, 3145

Or

To pay direct into AWIA bank account  
Australian Walnut Industry Association Inc. BSB: **013 247** Acct: **284342036**  
**Use reference “seminar” and your name**

(ANZ Branch 394 Glenhuntly Rd Elsternwick Vic.)

# ACCOMMODATION:

Accommodation is available at the.

Motel on Alpine  
58 Great Alpine Rd, Myrtleford VIC 3737  
(opposite the Club Savoy)  
**Phone:** [\(03\) 5752 1438](tel:0357521438)  
[contact@motelonalpine.com.au](mailto:contact@motelonalpine.com.au)  
<http://www.motelonalpine.com.au/>

Golden Leaf Motel  
186 - 188 Great Alpine Road  
Myrtleford, NE Victoria  
(5-minute walk to Club Savoy)  
Book with the **Motel directly** on  
03 5752 1566 or email  
[goldenlf@bigpond.net.au](mailto:goldenlf@bigpond.net.au)

Other accommodation options can be viewed at

<https://www.visitmyrtlefordvic.com.au/visitor-information/>

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